

CITY OF CANTON PLANNING DIRECTOR

City of Canton, OH seeks creative Planning Director to build new planning and community development office, lead the implementation of the city's first new comprehensive plan in 50 years, work in a city on the move, forge relationships with regional partners on complex economic development, land use, and transportation challenges. Work includes determining how to implement soft market revitalization recommendations, building consensus in the community, working with a range of organizations from heavy industry to nonprofit. Ideal candidate has experience with neighborhood planning, understands housing econometrics, and working with diverse groups. Planning Director will report directly to the Mayor and work in partnership with Planning Commission. The starting salary is in the \$90,000+ range; excellent benefits.

The City of Canton is looking for creative, outside-of-the-box thinking on critical issues, as well as the ability to forge broad consensus on sensitive issues. An example of such accomplishments in past work is required with resume.

Director of Planning Position:

Under general policy direction from the Mayor, the Planning Director plans, organizes, directs and integrates the City's planning programs and services; and performs related work as assigned. This position is top management level specializing in planning issues for the City of Canton. We recently adopted a comprehensive plan, and we are looking for someone to take the lead and implement the plan. The Planning Director directs planning initiatives citywide as they relate to the comprehensive plan.

Minimum requirements

- A master's degree in urban planning preferred, public administration preferred, or a related field, and 8 years preferred of progressive, responsible, planning experience; four years of experience must be in a supervisory capacity
- AICP Certification preferred
- Familiarity with HUD requirements desired
- Grant writing experience
- An effective communicator able to clearly articulate goals, objectives, and strategies at all levels within and outside of the organization
- Ability to supervise departmental staff
- Superior knowledge of planning, urban environmental design, policy-planning management, and neighborhood capacity-building activities to include comprehensive plans, community development plans, housing, including the development of a consolidated plan, land use and urban environmental design, economic development, floodplain and wetlands management, transportation, historic preservation, energy use and neighborhood development plans

Salary

The starting salary is in the \$90,000+ range; excellent benefits.

Please see full, detailed job description, contact information and other documentation required with resume at www.cantonohio.gov under “City Services”, “Civil Service” and “View City Jobs”. Application deadline is April 7, 2017.